

Way of the Cross

The Way of the Cross will be prayed during Lent. At St Mark's Church this will follow the **Thursday** morning Mass this week, and at St Edward's this will be held on Fridays at 7.30pm. Please do join in at one or more of these Lent opportunities.

Lent Holy Hour

You are invited to St Edward's Church this Sunday from 3-4pm for a time of prayer and reflection in preparation for the feast of Easter.

Offertory Envelopes

Please collect your box of Offertory Envelopes from the back of the Church you usually attend. Any queries please contact Fr Michael at the Presbytery. If your box is not at your normal Church please write your details on the form provided. If you would like to join the Gift Aid scheme please contact Vic Mullan on 01753 865163. *Thank you.*

Holy Week/Easter Services

Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Mass of the Last Supper – St Edward's

Good Friday

3.00pm The Lord's Passion – St Edward's

3.00pm The Lord's Passion – St Mark's

Holy Saturday

8.00pm Easter Vigil – St Edward's

Easter Sunday

9.30am Mass – St Mark's

11.00am Mass – St Edward's

Family Mass

There will not be a Family Mass at St Edward's on 1st April as it is Palm Sunday.

Palm Sunday Holy Hour

The Palm Sunday Holy Hour between 3 and 4 pm, will be led by the Liturgy Group and will take the form of readings, prayer, poem and music. On this occasion there will not be Exposition or Evening Prayer.

Funeral Correction

The Requiem Mass for the late Brendan Campling will be celebrated in St Edward's at 12 noon next Tuesday 27th March followed by burial in Oakley Green Cemetery.

Altar Server Awards

Congratulations to Vic Mullan, awarded the Gold Medal of the Archconfraternity of St Stephen for a total of 63 years as an altar server. Both Andrew Mullan and Vince O'Horo were awarded Silver Medals – Andrew for 31 years and Vince for 21 years. On behalf of our Parish Community, Fr Michael thanks Vic, Andrew and Vince for their loyal service to the Church in this particular ministry, and the witness, support and example they give to our younger altar servers.

Living Our Faith

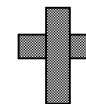
The next L.O.F. monthly collection will be made at all Masses this weekend, after Communion. Thank you again for your continued support.

School Mass

The end of term Mass will be celebrated at St Edward's First School next Friday at 9.10am. Parents and Governors are especially invited to come and share this celebration with both staff and pupils.

Good Friday-Walk of Witness in Old Windsor

Join us at the Cross erected on the corner of St Peter's Road and St Luke's Road at 10.30 am on Good Friday. We will walk round the village, stopping at the shops, outside Our Lady of Lourdes site, St Luke's and finish at the Methodist Church. At each stop we will listen to a Biblical verse and sing a hymn and after the last stop there will be a short half hour Service, followed by tea, coffee and hot cross buns.



St Edward's
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5th Sunday of Lent – 25th March 2012

Prayer of the Church: Week 1

Sunday Year - B

Sunday Masses:

St Edward's: Alma Road
FIRST MASS Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
St Mark's: Dedworth Road
Sunday 9.30am

Weekday Masses:

26th – 31st March 2012

Mon	9.00am	St. Edward's
Tues	12.00noon	St Edward's
Weds	10.00am	St Edward's
Thurs	10.00am	St Mark's
Fri	12.00 noon	St Edward's
Sat	6.00pm	St. Edward's

Scripture readings for next Sunday – Palm Sunday

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7
2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

Reconciliation

St Edward's on Saturday 11-12noon, and after Evening Mass

St Edward's Parish Website: www.catholicwindsor.org

Diocesan Website: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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31st March – 1st April 2012

Palm Sunday

Eucharistic Ministers

6.00pm A Barry, R Price, R Kleber, G White
9.30am S Furney, M Smith
11.00am P Bowley, P Adams, A Adams, A Underwood

Readers

6.00pm
Mass: R Crowther
Bidding Prayers: J Patterson
Passion of Our Lord:
Jesus: Celebrant
Narrator: P Kelly
Crowd: M Wall, P Drewitt
9.30am H Cooper, R Austin
11.00am
Mass: P Lock
Bidding Prayers: Graham Young
Passion of Our Lord:
Jesus: Celebrant
Narrator: B Dent
Crowd: Sr Patricia, M Wyld

Ministry of Welcome

St Edward's Jane & Barry
Thompson

Offertory Collection

18th March

Envelopes	£ 732.39
Loose	£ 459.21
Total	£1,191.60

Clergy Assistance Fund

Envelopes	£ 339.35
Loose	£ 128.00
Total	£ 467.35

Thank you for your contributions.

Holy Week/Easter Ministries

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers please check the list on the Notice Board for your individual ministries.

24th March – 1st April 2012

Mass Intentions

Sat	6.00pm	St Edward's – Harry Wilson RIP
Sun	9.30am	St Mark's – People of the Parish
	11.00am	St Edward's – Johnny Gaffey & Family RIP
Mon	9.00am	St Edward's – Frederick Arthur Riley RIP
Tues	12.00noon	St Edward's – Brendan Campling RIP
Wed	10.00am	St Edward's – Georgina Teresa Riley RIP
Thur	10.00am	St Mark's – Clare Walton RIP
Fri	12 noon	St Edward's – Bill Leavy RIP
Sat	6.00pm	St Edward's – Maureen Crawley's Intention
Sun	9.30am	St Mark's – Deceased relatives of Kay & Jim Forkin
	11.00am	St Edward's – People of the Parish

Parish Diary

Sun	10.30am	Choir Practice – St Edward's
	3.00pm	Holy Hour – St Edward's
Mon	9.45am	Mustard Seed Group – Braemal, Peel Close
	7.00pm	Choir Practice – St Edward's
	7.30pm	Choir Practice – St Mark's
Tues	6:30pm	Marriage Preparation – REC
	7.30pm	GPPA Meeting - PC
Wed	8.45am	School Assembly – SERF
	10:30am	Coffee Morning - REC
	7.30pm	Lent Group – REC
Thur	10.30am	Way of the Cross – St Mark's
	2.30pm	Eucharistic Adoration - St Edward's
	6.00pm	Young People's Choir – St Edward's
	8.00pm	Penitential Service – St Edward's
Fri	9.10am	Mass – St Edward's First School
	7.30pm	Way of the Cross – St Edward's
	7.30pm	Explorers' Group – REC

Pause for Thought

Each one of us is like a grain of wheat planted by God. Just as a grain of wheat must die so as to produce a harvest, so we must die to self in order to bear the fruits of love. This dying to self is a gradual process and happens in little ways. Every act of humility involves dying to pride. Every act of courage involves dying to cowardice. Every act of kindness involves dying to cruelty. Every act of love involves dying to selfishness. Thus the false self dies, and the true self, made in God's image, is born and nurtured. It is by giving that we receive; it is by forgiving that we are forgiven; it is by dying that we are born to eternal life.

Question of the Week

Adults: Name several ways you have sacrificed your own desires to be of help to others.

Children: How can you be of help to your family, your classmates, or your friends?

Flowers for Easter

During the remaining weeks of Lent there will be a basket at the back of the Churches inviting donations towards the cost of decorating the Churches with flowers for Easter.

Music for a Spring Evening

Genevieve Usher (Soprano) and Chris Underhill (piano) will perform in St Edwards Church on Sunday 1st April at 5pm in aid of the Pastoral Area Lent Project. Price £8 (pay on door) This promises to be a wonderful Recital, both Miss Usher and Mr Underhill are kindly giving their services for free, so please support this effort. More details from Valerie Lock on 01628 625592. If those attending the Palm Sunday Holy Hour in the afternoon wish to attend the Concert, tea/coffee/biscuits will be available in the RE Centre between the two events.

Penitential Services - Correction

As we move towards the end of Lent we should be making preparation for the spiritual celebration of Easter. One way of preparing is to seek the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You are offered two opportunities to avail yourself of a Penitential Service, so please take advantage of one of them. Dates are **St Edward's Thursday 29th March 8pm** **St Mark's Tuesday 3rd April 8pm.**

I must emphasise these services have a beginning and an end. The reason is that we are having a celebration – we are celebrating reconciliation.

Same Sex Marriage

A good number of Parishioners have signed the Petition against Same Sex Marriage, and a further way in which you can help is to go to the website for Coalition for Marriage at c4m.org.uk, and sign this as well. It is imperative that this Bill is not passed and we must play our part as Christians to uphold our traditions and beliefs.

Coffee Morning - REC

Myra Alphonso & Hilary Ritchie invite all parishioners for coffee in the RE Centre after the 10am Mass on Wednesday 28th March in aid of the GPPA Lent Project. Donations will be very welcome, please.

Coffee Morning – St Mark's

There will be a coffee morning on Sunday 1st April at St Mark's after Mass. All are welcome. *Kay/Beryl*

SVP Easter Afternoon Tea

The SVP are holding an Easter Afternoon Tea on Sunday 8th April. We would like to invite anyone who would otherwise be on their own, so if you know of someone who will be alone on Easter Sunday who would like to join us please telephone "Jock" and Hazel on 01753 867752. CRB checked drivers are needed also, please, to ferry people at 3 and home again at 5.